



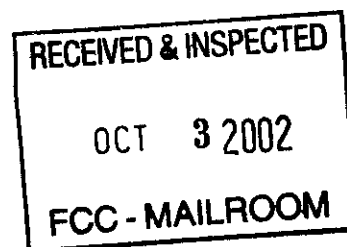
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October 1, 2002



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Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 - 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Irene Flannery
Universal Service Administrative Company
2120 L Street, NW - Suite 600
Washington, DC 20037

Re: Certification Of Support For Rural Carriers Pursuant To 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch / Ms. Flannery:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, I hereby certify on behalf of the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) that the competitive local exchange carrier listed below has certified to us that they are eligible to receive federal support and will only use the support for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended. I make this certification based upon the sworn affidavit executed by a corporate officer of the carrier and filed with the IUB in Docket No. RMU-01-14.

Carrier Name: East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative

SAC Number: 358126

Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

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